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## REMARKS

Prease reconsider this application in view of the above amendments and the following remarks.

Claims 7, 9, 11-15, and 17-28 are pending.

Applicants have amended claims 7, 9, and 11. These amendments amount to rewriting these claims in independent form along with adding all of the limitations of any base claims. Also, Applicants have added claims 17-28.

In the current Office Action, the examiner indicated that claims 7, 9, and 11-15 are allowable. Newly added claims 17-28 each depend from those allowed claims. Therefore, they are allowable, as well.

Since all claims are allowable, please issue a Notice of Allowability so stating. If I can be of any help, please contact me.

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